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**UTILITY
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. MBX 035 DIV

First Inventor Simon F. Williams

Title MEDICAL DEVICES AND APPLICATIONS OF
POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE POLYMERS

Express Mail Label No. EL 639 985 126 US

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U.S. PTO**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 66]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 3]
5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☒ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Other: Check for \$370.00

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.: 09 / 535,146

Prior application information:

Examiner Szekely, P.

Group / Art Unit: 1714

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion of the disclosure is omitted from the submitted application parts.

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- ☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 \$ 117
☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed: \$ 370.00
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

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101 710	201 355	Utility filing fee	370.00
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107 490	207 245	Plant filing fee	
108 710	208 355	Reissue filing fee	
114 150	214 75	Provisional filing fee	

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims 33 -20 = 13 x 9.00 = 117.00
Independent Claims 2 -3 = 0 x =
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 390	216 195	Extension for reply within second month	
117 890	217 445	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,390	218 695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,890	228 945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 310	219 155	Notice of Appeal	
120 310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 270	221 135	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,240	241 620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,240	242 620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 440	243 220	Design issue fee	
144 600	244 300	Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126 240	126 240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146 710	246 355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 710	249 355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	279 355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Simon F. Williams, David P. Martin, and Frank A. Skraly

Serial No.: Divisional of 09/535,146

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**REQUEST FOR FILING A DIVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

Sir:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 21(a), as amended by Public Law 97-247, and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.10 and 1.53(b), applicants enclose for filing the attached new patent application entitled "*Medical Devices and Applications of Polyhydroxyalkanoate Polymers*". This application is a divisional of pending prior application Serial No. 09/535,146, filed March 24, 2000, entitled "*Medical Devices and Application of Polyhydroxyalkanoate Polymers*", by Simon F. Williams, David P. Martin, and Frank A. Skraly, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/142,238 filed July 2, 1999, and to U.S. Provisional Application Serial

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APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**
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No. 60/126,180 filed March 25, 1999. The application includes 1 page of abstract, 60 pages of specification, 5 pages of claims, 3 sheets of formal drawings, and a copy of the executed Declaration for Patent Application from prior application Serial No. 09/535,146.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d), the copy of the executed Declaration for Patent Application included in the new application is a copy of the executed Declaration filed in parent application Serial No. 09/535,146, to which the new application claims benefit.

The inventorship for the claims in the new application is the same as in parent application Serial No. 09/535,146.

Enclosed are a Preliminary Amendment and an Information Disclosure Statement. Please preliminarily amend the application in accordance with the Preliminary Amendment.

Also enclosed from prior application Serial No. 09/535,146 are copies of the (a) executed Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest and Revocation of Prior Powers by Metabolix, Inc.; and (b) executed Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) by Metabolix, Inc., with attached copy of the recorded Assignment from Simon F. Williams, David P. Martin, and Frank A. Skraly to Metabolix, Inc.

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This application is entitled to claim small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$370.00 to cover the filing fee for a small entity. The application includes 2 independent claims and a total of 33 claims upon entry of the enclosed Preliminary Amendment. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the excess claim fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1868.

Also enclosed are an (a) Application Data Sheet; (b) Utility Patent Application Transmittal; and (c) Fee Transmittal (in duplicate).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1868. To facilitate this process, applicants enclose a duplicate of this transmittal.

The power of attorney in the prior application is to Patrea L. Pabst.

All correspondence concerning this application should be mailed to:

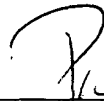
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Office to Addressee" Service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10. The Express Mail Label number appears in the heading of this paper which is attached to the application papers pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(b).

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